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## ALLARD WELCOMES SENATOR MIKE CRAPO TO SENATE RENEWABLES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY CAUCUS

CAUCUS CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCES 25<sup>TH</sup> MEMBER

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-CO), Chairman of the Senate Renewables and Energy Efficiency Caucus, announced today that Senator Mike Crapo (R-ID) has become the 25<sup>th</sup> member of the Caucus.

The Senate Renewables and Energy Efficiency Caucus was founded in 1998 by Senator Allard, Senator Jeff Bingaman (D-NM), Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD), Senator Jim Jeffords (R-VT) and Senator Bob Kerrey (D-NE). The Caucus is an informal, non-legislative and bi-partisan organization of 14 Democrats and 11 Republicans, promoting greater awareness and sharing ideas about renewable energy and energy efficiency.

"As Chairman of the Senate Renewables and Energy Efficiency Caucus, I am pleased to welcome Senator Mike Crapo as our newest member," Allard said. "It is exciting that one quarter of the United States Senate have joined together in a bipartisan effort to promote discussion and the use of renewable energy and energy efficient technologies. Senator Crapo will be an excellent addition to the Caucus and we look forward to hearing his ideas about renewable energy technologies."

While serving in the U.S. House of Representatives, Senator Crapo was a member House Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Caucus, currently chaired by Rep. Matt Salmon (R-AZ).

The Senate Renewables and Energy Efficiency Caucus sponsors briefings, open house showcases, fact-finding trips and other events to educate Senators and their staffs about current developments in renewable energy and energy efficiency.